

No. 1, Brooks Robinson; No. 2, Ryan, Boda; No. 3, Dan Casciano; No. 4, Mike Difusco; No. 5, John Tysco; No. 6, Lee Nanticoke; No. 7, Brendan Storrier; No. 8, Kent Squires Hill; No. 9, Stefan Schroder; No. 10, Nick Gatto, captain; No. 11, Isaiah Kicknosway; No. 12, Pat Shanahan; No. 13, Kevin Bucktooth, Jr., captain; No. 14, David Cougler; No. 15, Mike Tracy; No. 16, Dave Maldonado; No. 17, Sid Smith, captain; No. 18, Matt Myke; No. 19, Craig Point; No. 20, P.J. Motondo; No. 21, Adam Orlandella, captain; No. 22, Jay Tranello; No. 24, Mike Diglio; No. 25, Rich Herrig; No. 26, A.J. Vaughn; No. 27, Casey Fellows; No. 28, Josh Groth; No. 29, Pat Dimatteo; No. 30, Kris Frier; No. 31, Scott Herrig; No. 33, Devin Rookey; No. 34, Pat Shiel; No. 35, Brandon Novak; No. 36, Nick Sigona; No. 38, Cody Jamieson; No. 39, Adam Clark; No. 40, Ross Bucktooth.

RECOGNIZING ANDREW MICHAEL
GRACE FOR ACHIEVING THE
RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 25, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Andrew Michael Grace, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 376, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Andrew has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. Over the many years Andrew has been involved with Scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Andrew has served in the leadership positions of den chief, patrol leader, and troop guide, among others. He served on the staff of the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation in the summers of 2004 and 2005, while being elevated to runner in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. For his Eagle Scout project, Andrew planned and supervised the renovation of railings, lamp posts, and light fixtures at the Second Baptist Church in Liberty, MO.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Andrew Michael Grace for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING HARRIETT HOWARD'S
SERVICE TO TENNESSEE VET-
ERANS

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 25, 2006

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor Harriett Howard for her extraordinary service to Tennessee veterans. Harriett was recently named the 2006 Female Volunteer of the Year at the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs Voluntary Service National Advisory Committee's Annual Meeting in Sparks, NV. Harriett was selected out of 94,000 active vol-

unteers throughout the VA system of 154 facilities.

A retired Navy chief petty officer, Harriett has dedicated much of her life to serving veterans. Aside from the many hours she devotes in the Tennessee Valley Healthcare System, she has also served many years as WAVES national representative on the United Tennessee Veterans Association and on the Nashville-Davidson County Veterans Coordinating Council.

Harriett serves as a voice for our veterans. I know I can count on Harriett to keep me informed about the issues that concern Tennessee veterans, and I also know that if there is an opportunity to assist or recognize veterans, Harriett will be ready and willing to participate.

In fact, on Sunday, May 28, at the Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery, Harriett will be conducting the "For Whom the Bell Tolls" ceremony, which includes reading the names of the 350 veterans buried there since last Memorial Day.

Harriett, I wish you well in your future endeavors, and I thank you for your dedication to serving our Nation's veterans.

HONORING THE LATE FAUSTO
MIRANDA

HON. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 25, 2006

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the loss of an exceptional member of my community, the beloved Fausto Miranda. On Tuesday, May 9th, Mr. Miranda, the renowned Cuban sports reporter, passed away at the age of 91.

He was born on July 4, 1914 in the Cuban eastern city of Puerto Padre. He was forced to work odd jobs to survive. He worked as a street salesman, notary clerk, prison guard, band manager, janitor and a variety of other jobs. It was Mr. Miranda's resilience that enabled him to overcome the many obstacles he faced throughout his life.

After arriving in Havana in 1933, he began his life long contribution to journalism. Mr. Miranda worked with several Cuban newspapers: Información, El Crisol, Alerta and Diario de la Marina and he was a fixture on the radio. Soon after the arrival of the communist dictatorship, Mr. Miranda sought political asylum in New York. For fifteen years, he worked as a doorman. However, Mr. Miranda did not abandon his commitment to journalism. He simultaneously started working for the well known newspaper La Prensa.

In 1975, Mr. Miranda moved to Miami. A year later, he reached a high point in his career by founding the sports pages of El Nuevo Herald. Subsequently, he managed the sports department of the Miami Herald/El Nuevo Herald for close to twenty years.

After his retirement in 1995, Mr. Miranda was known for his famous column "You are old, truly old, if." In his last year, although he was very weak due to multiple respiratory and cardiac complications, the legendary writer submitted his weekly column every Monday. The Monday before he passed away was no exception. His passion and dedication for journalism, sports and Cuba, were unwavering even throughout his deteriorating health.

Mr. Miranda's life is the personification of the American Dream and a testament to the love Cubans share for Cuba. Mr. Miranda's dedication and ability allowed him to leave his mark on two countries. He witnessed Don Larsen's perfect game in the 1956 World Series. He captured the athletic eloquence of Mohammed Ali in his prose. An entire community opened their newspapers to read his account of the sporting events of the day. And later we relied on his column to recall the glory of the Cuban Republic. He became an integral part of the Cuban and the larger South Florida community. Miami-Dade County celebrated his 50th anniversary in journalism by declaring a "Fausto Miranda Day," on December 12, 1992. Mr. Miranda's remarkable life and columns will inspire generations to come.

I will forever remember the great Fausto Miranda!

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. VERNON J. EHLERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 25, 2006

Mr. EHLERS. Mr. Speaker, my vote for roll-call No. 168 on the amendment offered by Representative CHABOT to H.R. 5386, was recorded as a "no." This vote does not reflect my intent to have my vote recorded as an "aye."

RECOGNIZING JEREMY CHRIS-
TOPHER WOOD FOR ACHIEVING
THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 25, 2006

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jeremy Christopher Wood, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 395, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Jeremy has been very active with his troop, participating in many Scout activities. He has served as a patrol leader and assistant senior patrol leader and achieved the rank of Brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow and Warrior in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. Over the many years Jeremy has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

For his Eagle Scout Service Project, Jeremy designed and directed the installation of two specially designed firepit shelters at the Heartland Presbyterian Youth Camp in Platte County. These shelters protect the firewood that is used by the campers and visitors to have fun campfires while delivering their youth-oriented programs.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jeremy Christopher Wood for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.